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PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No. 48930-01700

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Richard L. Bonkowski, et al.
Serial No.: 09/351,102
Filed: July 8, 1999
For: DIFFRACTIVE SURFACES WITH COLOR
SHIFTING BACKGROUNDS
Confirmation No.: 9254
Examiner: Alicia Ann Chevalier

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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 25, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby responds to the Office Action dated July 25, 2003.

In that Office Action, the Examiner found all pending claims allowable, but entered a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection over co-pending application Serial No. 09/489,250. This co-pending application has now been abandoned, as evidenced by the enclosed copy of the Express Abandonment form dated November 10, 2003. A divisional application was filed concurrently with said express abandonment.

In view of the abandonment of the cited application, applicants believe the present application is now in condition for immediate allowance. The Examiner is urged to telephone

applicants' undersigned attorney in the event any remaining impediment to issuance is identified that is susceptible to handling by means of a telephone communication.

DATED this 12th day of November, 2003

Respectfully submitted,



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